

REMARKS

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

In accordance with the foregoing, the Abstract and claims 1, 3-7, 9-13 and 15-19 have been amended.

Claims 1-19 are pending and under consideration. No new matter is being presented and approval and entry of the amended and new claims is respectfully requested.

CHANGES TO THE ABSTRACT

The Abstract is amended herein to delete the reference characters corresponding to elements recited in the description of the Drawings.

Therefore, it is submitted that the objection to the Abstract is overcome, and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

REJECTIONS OF CLAIMS 1, 4, 7, 9, 10, 13 AND 15 UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112, SECOND PARAGRAPH

Claims 1, 4, 7, 9, 10, 13 and 15 are amended herein to distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention.

Therefore, the rejections of claims 1, 4, 7, 9, 10, 13 and 15 are respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested.

REJECTIONS OF CLAIMS 1-19 UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102(e) AS BEING ANTICIPATED BY BRITTON ET AL. (U.S. PATENT NO. 6,654,814)

The rejections of claims 1-19 are respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested.

CLAIMS 1, 7 AND 13

In Britton et al. (hereinafter "Britton"), the server-side proxy, which may correspond to the contents conversion server in amended claims 1, 7 and 13, and the server, which may correspond to the contents providing server in amended claims 1, 7 and 13, are on the same server data processing system. In other words, the server-side proxy is tightly coupled with the server. There is no description or suggestion in Britton that the server-side proxy communicates with another server on another server data processing system. In contrast, the contents conversion server in amended claims 1, 7 and 13 is connected to a plurality of contents

providing servers.

Furthermore, there is no description or suggestion in Britton regarding a problem in communicating with another server on another server data processing system, or a structure to solve the problem. If the contents conversion server does not convert the link information, the user terminal accesses directly to an original link destination included in the contents without connecting the contents conversion server. Consequently, the user terminal cannot appropriately display the contents at a subsequent communication.

Incidentally, it is described in Britton, column 10, lines 57-60, that "the content requested by the client data processing system 50 may be obtained from multiple servers on multiple server data processing systems." However, this means that there are multiple couples of a server-side proxy and a server, since there is no description or suggestion in Britton for converting link information included in the contents information, which is necessary for the server-side proxy to obtain requested contents from the designated one of a plurality of servers and appropriately convert the contents obtained from the access destination, as described in this claim. Thus, it does not mean that one server-side proxy connects to a plurality of servers.

CLAIMS 2, 8 AND 14

The Examiner states that claim 2 is anticipated by Britton, citing column 11, lines 38-61. However, as described above, there is no description or suggestion in Britton for converting link information, as recited in amended claim 2. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipate the limitations recited in claim 2.

Claims 8 and 14 include similar limitations to those of claim 2. The arguments for claim 2 are asserted for claims 8 and 14 and, thus, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipated the limitations recited in claims 8 and 14.

CLAIMS 3, 4, 9, 10, 15 AND 16

The Examiner states that claims 3 and 4 are anticipated by Britton, citing column 12, lines 5-24. However, as described above, the server-side proxy in Britton connects only to the server, which is tightly coupled with the server-side proxy. There is no description or suggestion in Britton that multiple servers are registered to the server-side proxy. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipate the limitations recited in amended claims 3 and 4.

Claims 9 and 15 include similar limitations to those of claim 3, and claims 10 and 16 include similar limitations to those of claim 4. The arguments for claims 3 and 4 are asserted for claims 9, 10, 15 and 16 and, thus, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipated the

limitations recited in claims 9, 10, 15 and 16.

CLAIMS 5, 11 AND 17

The Examiner states that claim 5 is anticipated by Britton, citing column 2, lines 34-48. However, there is no description or suggestion in Britton that an access requesting source includes a browser type, as recited in amended claim 5. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipate the limitations recited in amended claim 5.

Claims 11 and 17 include similar limitations to those of claim 5. The arguments for claim 5 are asserted for claims 11 and 17 and, thus, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipate the limitations recited in claims 11 and 17.

CLAIM 6, 12 AND 18

The Examiner states that claim 6 is anticipated by Britton, citing column 8, lines 26-37. Britton discloses that text is enclosed with XML/HTML "special" tags. However, there is no description or suggestion in Britton for reconstructing tags in an arbitrary markup language to tags in a markup language corresponding to a type of a user terminal or access requesting source in said user terminal.

Reconstructing the tags in an arbitrary markup language to tags in a markup language is necessary because the most suitable markup language to display contents depends on a type of a user terminal or access requesting source in said user terminal. However, the viewpoint of selecting suitable markup language is not described or suggested in Britton. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipate the limitations recited in amended claim 6.

Claims 12 and 18 include similar limitations to those of claim 5. The arguments for claim 6 are asserted for claims 12 and 18 and, thus, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipate the limitations recited in claims 12 and 18.

CLAIM 19

The Examiner states that claim 19 is anticipated by Britton, citing column 4, line 66-column 7, line 9 and column 8, lines 26-38. The method of amended claim 19 relates to a contents conversion server, which is connected to the user terminal and a plurality of contents providing servers through a network.

In contrast, Britton the server-side proxy and the contents providing server of Britton are on the same server data processing system. In other words, the server-side proxy is tightly coupled with the server. There is no description or suggestion in Britton that the server-side proxy communicates with another server on another server data processing system, as recited in

amended claim 19. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that Britton does not anticipate the limitations recited in amended claim 19.

FORM PTO-1449

It appears that the Examiner may have inadvertently forgotten to initial reference AM listed in the Form PTO-1449. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request a new Form PTO-1449 in which reference AM is initialed.

CONCLUSION

In accordance with the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot. Further, all pending claims patentably distinguish over the prior art. There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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